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APPOINTMENT OF NON OFFICIAL DIRECTORS FROM SC ST COMMUNITY
Gaikwad Shri Eknath Mahadeo

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued instructions to all the nationalized banks and Financial Institutions for appointment of Non-Official Directors belonging to SC/ST communities on their Boards;

(b) if so, the details of Non-Official Directors appointed by banks belonging to SC/ST categories on their boards during the last three years; and

(c) the action taken/being taken by the Government against the defaulter banks?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE(SHRIPAWANKUMARBANSAL)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. No such directions need to be issued as the non-official directors on the boards of nationalized banks are appointed by the Central Government and not by the Banks. The approved guidelines for selection of part-time Non-official Directors, inter-alia, provide that as far as possible, representation may be given to women and persons belonging to SC/ST community. During the last three years, Central Government has appointed nine directors, including Government and Reserve Bank of India nominee directors, belonging to SC/ST communities, on the boards of public sector banks.